

REGULATORY DISCLOSURE STATEMENTFor the quarter ended 30 September 2023

(Unaudited)

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1 Introduction

1.1 Purpose

The information contained in this document is for Welab Bank Limited ("the Bank") to comply with the Banking (Disclosure) Rules ("BDR") made under section 60A of the Banking Ordinance. The statement is prepared in accordance with the BDR and disclosure templates issued by the Hong Kong Monetary Authority ("HKMA").

These banking disclosures are governed by the Bank's disclosure policy, which has been approved by the Board of Directors. The disclosure policy sets out the approach to determine the content, appropriateness and frequency of the disclosures, the approach to ensure the relevance and adequacy of the disclosures, and the internal control over the process for making the disclosures. While the statement is not required to be externally audited, it is subject to independent review in accordance with the Bank's disclosure policy.

1.2 Basis of preparation

The capital adequacy ratio ("CAR") was compiled in accordance with the Banking (Capital) Rules ("BCR") issued by the HKMA. In calculating the risk-weighted assets ("RWA"), the Bank adopted the Standardized (Credit Risk) Approach for credit risk and the Standardized (Market Risk) Approach for market risk. For operational risk, the capital requirement is calculated using the basic indicator approach.

According to the BDR, disclosure of comparative information is not required unless otherwise specified in the standard disclosure templates.

Relevant information can be found in the Regulatory Disclosures section of our website, www.welab.bank.

1.3 Basis of consolidation

As of 30 September 2023, the Bank does not have any subsidiaries for consolidation purpose.

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2 Key prudential ratios and overview of RWA

2.1 KM1: Key prudential ratios

The following table provides an overview of the Bank's key prudential ratios.

		At 30 September 2023	At 30 June 2023	At 31 March 2023	At 31 December 2022	At 30 September 2022
In HK\$'000		(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
	Regulatory capital (amount)					
1	Common equity tier 1 (CET1)	404,074	406,947	404,991	402,399	435,939
2	Tier 1	404,074	406,947	404,991	402,399	435,939
3	Total capital	424,604	425,411	422,020	418,469	450,617
	RWA (amount)					
4	Total RWA	1,727,962	1,545,699	1,413,184	1,327,931	1,223,684
	Risk-based regulatory capital ratios (as a percentage of	of RWA)				
5	CET1 ratio (%)	23.4%	26.3%	28.7%	30.3%	35.6%
6	Tier 1 ratio (%)	23.4%	26.3%	28.7%	30.3%	35.6%
7	Total capital ratio (%)	24.6%	27.5%	29.9%	31.5%	36.8%
	Additional CET1 buffer requirements (as a percentage	of RWA)				
8	Capital conservation buffer requirement (%)	2.5%	2.5%	2.5%	2.5%	2.5%
9	Countercyclical capital buffer requirement (%)	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%
10	Higher loss absorbency requirements (%) (applicable					
	only to G-SIBs or D-SIBs)	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
11	Total Al-specific CET1 buffer requirements (%)	3.5%	3.5%	3.5%	3.5%	3.5%
12	CET1 available after meeting the Al's minimum capital requirements (%)	9.8%	12.8%	15.1%	16.8%	21.8%
	Basel III leverage ratio					
13	Total leverage ratio (LR) exposure measure	3,332,891	3,003,606	2,918,075	2,617,388	2,538,059
14	LR (%)	12.1%	13.6%	13.9%	15.4%	17.2%
	Liquidity Coverage Ratio (LCR) / Liquidity Maintenance	Ratio (LMR)				
	Applicable to category 1 institution only:					
15	Total high quality liquid assets (HQLA)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
16	Total net cash outflows	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
17	LCR (%)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Applicable to category 2 institution only:					
17a	LMR (%)*	175.8%	162.7%	153.5%	152.1%	146.2%
	Net Stable Funding Ratio (NSFR) / Core Funding Ratio	(CFR)				
	Applicable to category 1 institution only:					
18	Total available stable funding	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
19	Total required stable funding	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
20	NSFR (%)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Applicable to category 2A institution only:					
20a	CFR (%)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

The increase in loans and advances to customers was the major driver leading to the decrease in CET1 ratio and total capital ratio as of the quarter ended 30 September 2023.

^{*} The LMR disclosed above represent the arithmetic mean of the average value of the LMR for each calendar month within the quarter.

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2 Key prudential ratios and overview of RWA (continued)

2.2 OV1: Overview of risk-weighted assets

The following table sets out the Bank's RWA and the corresponding minimum capital requirements by risk types.

		At 30 September 2023	At 30 June 2023	At 30 September 2023
		(a)	(b)	(c)
In HK\$'000		RWA		Minimum capital requirements
1	Credit risk for non-securitization exposures	1,642,437	1,477,136	131,395
2	Of which STC approach	1,642,437	1,477,136	131,395
2a	Of which BSC approach	_	-	_
3	Of which foundation IRB approach	_	_	_
4	Of which supervisory slotting criteria approach	_	_	_
5	Of which advanced IRB approach	_	_	_
6	Counterparty default risk and default fund contributions	_	_	_
7	Of which SA-CCR	N/A	N/A	N/A
7a	Of which CEM	_	_	_
8	Of which IMM(CCR) approach	_	-	_
9	Of which others	_	_	_
10	CVA risk	_	_	_
11	Equity positions in banking book under the simple risk-weight method and internal models method	_	_	_
12	Collective investment scheme ("CIS") exposures – LTA	N/A	N/A	N/A
13	CIS exposures – MBA	N/A	N/A	N/A
14	CIS exposures – FBA	N/A	N/A	N/A
14a	CIS exposures – combination of approaches	N/A	N/A	N/A
15	Settlement risk	_	_	_
16	Securitization exposures in banking book	_	_	_
17	Of which SEC-IRBA	_	_	_
18	Of which SEC-ERBA (including IAA)	_	_	_
19	Of which SEC-SA	_	_	_
19a	Of which SEC-FBA	_	_	_
20	Market risk	_	_	_
21	Of which STM approach	_	_	_
22	Of which IMM approach	_	_	_

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2.2 OV1: Overview of risk-weighted assets (continued)

		At 30 September 2023	At 30 June 2023	At 30 September 2023
		(a)	(b)	(c)
In HK\$'000		RWA		Minimum capital requirements
23	Capital charge for switch between exposures in trading book and banking book (not applicable before the revised market risk framework takes effect)	N/A	N/A	N/A
24	Operational risk	85,525	68,563	6,842
24a	Sovereign concentration risk	N/A	N/A	N/A
25	Amounts below the thresholds for deduction (subject to 250% RW)	_	-	_
26	Capital floor adjustment	_	-	_
26a	Deduction to RWA	_	-	_
26b	Of which portion of regulatory reserve for general banking risks and collective provisions which is not included in Tier 2 Capital	-	_	_
26c	Of which portion of cumulative fair value gains arising from the revaluation of land and buildings which is not included in Tier 2 Capital	_		_
27	Total	1,727,962	1,545,699	138,237

Increase in RWA for credit risk for non-securitization exposures as of 30 September 2023 was mainly due to the increase in loans and advances to customers.

Increase in RWA for operational risk as of 30 September 2023 was mainly due to the increase in gross income.

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3 Leverage Ratio

3.1 LR2: Leverage ratio

		At 30 September 2023	At 30 June 2023
In HK	\$'000	(a)	(b)
On-b	alance sheet exposures		
1	On-balance sheet exposures (excluding those arising from derivative contracts and SFTs, but including collateral)	3,413,918	3,092,806
2	Less: Asset amounts deducted in determining Tier 1 capital	(61,199)	(67,213)
3	Total on-balance sheet exposures (excluding derivative contracts and SFTs)	3,352,719	3,025,593
Ехро	sures arising from derivative contracts		
4	Replacement cost associated with all derivative contracts (where applicable net of eligible cash variation margin and/or with bilateral netting)	_	_
5	Add-on amounts for PFE associated with all derivative contracts	_	_
6	Gross-up for derivatives collateral provided where deducted from the balance sheet assets pursuant to the applicable accounting framework	_	_
7	Less: Deductions of receivables assets for cash variation margin provided under derivative contracts	_	_
8	Less: Exempted CCP leg of client-cleared trade exposures	_	_
9	Adjusted effective notional amount of written credit-related derivative contracts	_	_
10	Less: Adjusted effective notional offsets and add-on deductions for written credit-related derivative contracts	_	_
11	Total exposures arising from derivative contracts	_	-
Expo	sures arising from SFTs		
12	Gross SFT assets (with no recognition of netting), after adjusting for sale accounting transactions	_	_
13	Less: Netted amounts of cash payables and cash receivables of gross SFT assets	_	_
14	CCR exposure for SFT assets	_	_
15	Agent transaction exposures	_	_
16	Total exposures arising from SFTs	_	_
Othe	r off-balance sheet exposures		
17	Off-balance sheet exposure at gross notional amount	217,805	161,224
18	Less: Adjustments for conversion to credit equivalent amounts	(196,024)	(145,102)
19	Off-balance sheet items	21,781	16,122
Capit	tal and total exposures		
20	Tier 1 capital	404,074	406,947
20a	Total exposures before adjustments for specific and collective provisions	3,374,500	3,041,715
20b	Adjustments for specific and collective provisions	(41,609)	(38,109)
21	Total exposures after adjustments for specific and collective provisions	3,332,891	3,003,606
Leve	rage ratio		
22	Leverage ratio	12.1%	13.6%

The decrease of leverage ratio is due to increase in on-balance sheet exposure of loans and advances to customers.

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4 Abbreviations

Abbreviations Brief Description

Al Authorized Institution

BSC Basic Approach

CCP Central Counterparty

CCR Counterparty Credit Risk

CEM Current Exposure Method

CVA Credit Valuation Adjustment

D-SIBs Domestic Systematically Important Authorized Institution

FBA Fall-Back Approach

G-SIBs Global Systematically Important Authorized Institution

IAA Internal Assessment Approach
IMM Internal Models Approach

IMM(CCR) Internal Models Approach (Counterparty Credit Risk)

IRB Internal Ratings-Based Approach

LTA Look Through Approach
MBA Mandate-Based Approach

N/A Not Applicable

PFE Potential Future Exposure

RW Risk-Weight

RWA Risk-Weighted Asset/Risk-Weighted Amount

SA-CCR Standardized Approach (Counterparty Credit Risk)
SEC-ERBA Securitization External Ratings-Based Approach

SEC-FBA Securitization Fall-Back Approach

SEC-IRBA Securitization Internal Ratings-Based Approach

SEC-SA Securitization Standardized Approach
SFT Securities Financing Transaction
STC Standardized (Credit Risk) Approach
STM Standardized (Market Risk) Approach